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In re Application of: Joseph M. Asher, et al.

Serial No.: 10/822,484

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Art Unit: 3694

Confirmation No.: 3028

Examiner: Ella Colbert

Title: **A LOTTERY AND AUCTION BASED
TOURNAMENT ENTRY EXCHANGE PLATFORM**

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Dear Sir:

**REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF AN INFORMATION
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For reasons set forth below, **it is respectfully requested that the United States Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) file for this application be promptly forwarded to Examiner Ella Colbert** for confirmation that Reference O listed on the PTO-1449 attached to the Information Disclosure Statement filed June 7, 2007 has been considered.

On June 7, 2007 Applicants filed electronically an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) with PTO-1449 form (eleven (11) pages) attached, listing the references submitted for consideration. Copies of the non-U.S. patent references were submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 7, 2007. A copy of the Electronic Acknowledgement Receipt is attached for the convenience of the Examiner.

An Office Action was mailed on November 20, 2007. However, Examiner Ella Colbert has not returned an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 form indicating consideration of Reference O cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed June 7, 2007.

Accordingly, **Applicants hereby request confirmation of consideration of Reference O on the previously filed Information Disclosure Statement.** Examiner Ella Colbert is requested to initial Reference O listed on the PTO-1449 form to show that it was appropriately considered during examination of this Application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment, or to charge any additional fee required by this paper, to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified patent application. The present application was filed after June 30, 2003. Therefore, under the July 11, 2003 waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i) by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, copies of the U.S. Patents and U.S. Patent Application Publications listed in the attached PTO-1449 form are not enclosed. Copies of all other references are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. No representation is made that a search has been made, that these references are material to patentability, or that these references qualify as prior art.

REMARKS

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97(c), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$180.00 IDS Fee and to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P

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